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- 0:00 Introduction
- 2:20 Mrs. Chan, a native of Marysville, describes the Chinese Bomb Day celebrations in her home town. The three-day festivities culminates with the firing of the fourth (or lucky) bomb which is then taken to the Bokkai Temple for blessing.
- 3:30 Mrs. Chan married Howard Chan of Folsom and describes the differences in their religious upbringing, she a Christian and he practiced ancestor worship.
- 6:20 Mr. Chan's father owned Wing Sing Wo on Leisdorff Street (today'the location of the Folsom sewage plant), the store, started by Howard's grandfather, served the Chinese community in many ways.
- 7:35 Mabel Chan arrived in Folsom in 1931 and she told of the early Folsom that she knew.
- 10:15 To stock their own store the Chans went to Sacramento for their supplies. For four generations the Chans have been doing business with Yick Chong at Third and I Street.
- 11:10 The Chan grocery store was sold in 1955, Howard and his brother, George, took different routes. Howard went to work for the school district while George and his decendants continued to run another grocery store.
- 14:05 Mrs. Chan tells how their visits to Sacramento during World War II became less frequent because the prejudice towards anyone resembling the Japanese was more overt. Some Chinese wore "I Am Chinese" buttons." Folsom was not like Sacramento, it was friendlier.
- 20:00 Mrs. Chan tells how she went to work for the Folsom school district; her husband put in 19 years and she 22 years.
- 24:20 Howard Chan is amember of the Gee How Oak Tin Assn., he pays his dues and went to the association dinners but never took an active role.

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- 0:00 Mrs. Chan feels her grandchildren will be raised more western than Chinese because her children are married to whites.
- 2:10 Mrs. Chan's sister lives in San Francisco and she remarks

on the differences between them, particularly when it comes to adhering to Chinese traditions. In Folsom Mrs. Chan and her family are less pressured to follow the old folkways.

- 3:15 The Chans have travelled extensively in Europe and in France where she stayed ten days with her son's in laws. Her French relatives spoke no English and she no French but they got along quite well with the help of the French-American dictionary.
- 5:10 While on tour in the Deep South, Mrs. Chan tells of an incidence where she chose the wrong place to sit in a ksmall diner.
- 10:00 She was raised in a rather strict upbringing but she did not raise her children the same way.
- 12:00 Mrs. Chan prefers to associate with the whites than the Chinese and has ambivalent feelings about visitng China.
- 14:10 While her father-in-law was running the family store he made many friends in town. He was helped by one Jewish businessman and the local sheriff took his word over others in settling disputes.
- Regarding their Chinese names: her father-in-law's name was Chan Oak, Howard's was Chan How, George's Chan Koon; her's is Ma Mai Tai; her children Gum Haw, Gum Yuet, and Chan Toy. Although she gave her children Chinese names, she has not named her grandchildren.
- 18:35 Mrs. Chan tells what she knows about the Chinese cemeteries in Folsom and about her husband's burial in the western manner.
- 20:15 She doesn't see any place she wants to live in besides Folsom.
- 21:25 When the family store on Leisdorff Street was burned in 1920 the brothers built at new store on Sutter Street which is now ran by her nephew.
- 23:20 Mrs. Chan talks about her Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration and the Lion Dance brought from Sacramento for the occasion.